

THE NATHAN HORROR.

No Falling off in the Excitement. The Murderer's Man's Statement of General Blair.

The N. Y. Herald of to-day says: There is but little statement in the excitement attending the four scenes enacted at No. 12 West Twenty-third street on Friday morning last, especially among the police force, every man complete...

It is certain that every trivial incident, transpiring about the house where the crime was committed is carefully watched by unseen eyes. No person makes an exit or entrance without it being known, and day and night under complete surveillance.

It was rumored about town yesterday that an important revelation had been made by the Major-General Frank Blair, who has a room on the third floor of the Fifth Avenue Hotel, just opposite to the Nathan mansion.

General Blair, he will tell you all I know about it. About half past five o'clock that morning I went toward the window of my room to shut the blinds, as the moon was shining brightly.

General Blair—No, I did not at the time. Reporter—Have you ascertained who he was? General Blair—Oh, yes, I understand, in fact, I know, he was one of the Nathan sons; for, about a half an hour or so after the murder was made, and I then saw him with his brother standing on the stoop, and crying out for help, or making an outcry of some kind. I couldn't tell what.

Reporter—Did you notice anything peculiar about the appearance of the two, or of either of them, as they came out of the window? General Blair—Yes, they were both in their night clothes, and the one I had seen at the window of the third floor a short time previous had blood on his night-gown.

Reporter—Were you awakened by the outcries made? General Blair—I think I was. I really don't know whether I had fallen into a sound sleep or not after I had retired. After having closed the blinds of my window I went to bed, and I don't think I went to sleep for a short time after going to bed.

Reporter—How did you become finally aware that murder had been committed? General Blair—Well, the young man appeared to be so terribly excited, and continued his outcry so long that I called for a servant and sent him to ascertain what was the matter. He returned and told me that Mr. Nathan had been killed.

Reporter—How did the young man appear as he sat at the window? Was there anything peculiar about his manner? General Blair—He was in no wise excited-looking; there was nothing about his manner that seemed to me to be peculiar.

Reporter—You say after closing the blinds of your window you went to bed, and did not go to sleep immediately; then there was a certain lapse of time between the time you went to bed and the time you saw the window and when you saw him on the stoop—that is, more time than would be required for him to come down two flights of stairs and reach the door?

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CITY INTELLIGENCE.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

The Opening of the New Works at Belmont—One Basin of the New Reservoir Filled.

Yesterday for the first time the new water works at Belmont went into operation. The new Northampton Duplex engine was started in the presence of the Water Committee of Councils, and the water was introduced into half of the eastern basin of the new large reservoir near George's Hill.

The reservoir is now being rapidly filled. A large force of workmen is employed. A thirty-six inch main is to be laid across the bed of the river Schuylkill to supply the city on this side, and a twenty-four inch main from the reservoir to West Philadelphia. Arrangements are also made to construct a new main to be laid on the west side of the city, including those in the Fifteenth, Twentieth, and Twenty-eighth wards, where so much inconvenience has been experienced and so many complaints made on account of the scarcity of water.

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FIRE AT POINT BREZE.

Destruction of the Sheds. Between 11 and 12 o'clock last night a bright light illumined the southwestern horizon, and caused a somewhat general excitement amongst our brethren. Although no alarm was sounded, several companies turned out, but only one or two succeeded in reaching the fire.

The Agricultural Society. This morning a regular meeting of the Agricultural Society of the city was held at their room in the Walnut streets, President W. H. Drayton in the chair, and C. B. Fife acting as secretary in the absence of that officer.

Mr. Pascal Morris, in the name of Mr. Scott, the notary, presented to the meeting a number of beautifully-colored specimens of wool grown by that gentleman. They were received with thanks.

Mr. Morris also presented to the meeting a number of specimens of cheese made by him at his factory at Point Breze. The committee had visited the factory, and had seen the establishment in operation, and a fabulous number of pounds of cheese were produced.

Mr. Edwin Saterlaw, of Jenkintown, was nominated for membership in the society. The subject of the wheat crop of the present year, several gentlemen giving their experience in the raising of the product, after which the meeting adjourned.

INTERNAL REVENUE MATTERS.—Within the past few days no little excitement has been occasioned amongst our politicians by wholesale reduction of the force in the Fourth district. About half-a-dozen assistant assessors walked the plank on Monday, and others are to follow.

A Big Wash-Day.—Yesterday the region around Almond street wharf presented a lively scene. From early in the morning an immense crowd of perspiring juveniles, mixed with a number of adults, besieged the new Public Bath House, No. 2, and made the air resonant with their clamors for admission. So great was the pressure that word had to be sent to the Second District Station-house for an extra force of men to preserve order. The bathers were admitted in order of time, and the sum total of bathers numbered—men, 87; boys, 1250.

The Bedford Street Baths.—The free baths attached to the Bedford Street Mission have been opened since July 13. From that date to July 31 the number of men who used the baths to complete the work. The number of men who used the baths to complete the work. The number of men who used the baths to complete the work.

The Carnival at Atlantic City To-night.—The grand carnival, ball, masques, and fancy dress party to be given this evening at the Excursion House, Atlantic City, promises to be a really grand affair. Many who propose to attend will leave this city after noon.

Pistol Practice.—About 3 o'clock this morning the Harbor police, when just below the Navy Yard, heard a few pistol shots, and judging that the shots had been fired in the neighborhood of Point Arty, they at once pulled for that locality. On reaching the island they found a brig moored, the captain of which told them that some one had pushed his head in the cabin window, had fired three times at him, and then made off.

Assault and Battery.—Wenzel Newburgh, residing at No. 517 S. John street, has been held in \$500 bail by Alderman Cahill on charges of assault and battery and keeping a disorderly house. Yesterday Wenzel had a quarrel with one of his customers and tumbled him down a flight of stairs, hence his arrest.

Sudden Death.—Margaret Fox, aged 70 years, residing at No. 517 Christian street, died suddenly this morning.

General's Furnishing Goods. FINE DRESS IMPROVED SHOULDER PATTERN SHIRTS, MADE BY R. EAYRE, ONLY, 184 WINDMILL, 56 N. SIXTH ST., below Arch.

THE NATHAN MYSTERY.

A Clue to the Murderer.

His Presence in this City.

Probable Arrest Before Night.

From facts that are now developing, the people of Philadelphia need not be surprised to hear at any moment of the capture of the person guilty of brutally murdering Mr. Benjamin Nathan in New York. Ever since the first intimation of the crime reached this city our detectives have been hard at work, and on Saturday Messrs. Miller and Fletcher gained the clue of a party whom they believed to be the guilty one. He was tracked as having left New York on Friday last, and has since been closely watched. His clothing bears marks of blood, as do his stockings. And upon his person he carries diamonds similar to those taken by the murderer. Nor are these points all, there are other and more important ones which we do not deem politic to make mention of just now.

Messrs. Miller and Fletcher are now in correspondence with the Mayor of New York, and at the proper moment the "watched one" will be arrested.

Rowdyism.—For weeks past a gang of young rowdies have been visiting a lot at Ninth and Carpenter streets, and making the night hideous with their yells and carousals. Complaint having been lodged with Lieutenant Smith, of the First district, he at about 4 o'clock this morning visited the spot with a posse of officers, and succeeded in arresting six of the "provers." Alderman Bousall sent them to prison.

\$1700 Gone.—On Monday an individual named Kohl visited "Fishkill Park, where a woman picnic was being held, and there he rather freely bet, and falling in with some strangers they all got to drinking together. After leaving the party, Kohl found that his pocket had been picked of \$1700. The case is now in the hands of the detectives.

A Shooting Affray.—About 1:30 this afternoon Ed. Mullen, aged fifteen years, was shot in the left arm by Thomas Deyvis, at the house of the latter, No. 1430 South Seventh street. Mullen was taken to the Pennsylvania Hospital, and Deverix to the Seventeenth district station-house. The affair was the result of a quarrel.

Inciting to Riot.—Richard Labey, aged eighteen years, yesterday arrested at Twenty-eighth and Arch streets, for throwing stones at the members of the Warren-Hose Company, whilst they were proceeding to the fire at Twentieth and Naudain streets. Alderman Dallas held the rowdy to answer.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

Money is comparatively quiet to-day, but rates are very firm, especially for time contracts. Stock dealers are just now, and have been for some time, favorites at the banks, and no difficulty is experienced in obtaining reasonable rates for the present, or at least giving but slight attention to it. Advances from the North and West are to the effect that the decision in the matter creates great surprise, and the departments daily receives large numbers of letters in reply relative to the same.

The State Department is in receipt of numerous applications for appointments as bearers of despatches for our ministers abroad. On account of the expense, and the limited amount of the contingent fund, but few appointments will be made, and those only to prominent and well-known parties and in the cases of very important messages which it is not advisable to trust to mails.

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THIRD EDITION.

FOREIGN WAR NEWS.

Storming of a Prussian Town.

Narrow Escape of Versailles.

Matters at Washington.

The Knights of Pythias.

The Government Claim Business.

FROM EUROPE.

Paris, Aug. 3.—The Journal officiel of this morning declares that the present war is not against Germany nor against King William, but against Bismarck. The Journal regrets that the Prussian King submits to the domination of this violent and unscrupulous minister.

London, Aug. 3.—A rumor is in circulation here to-day to the effect that Weissenberg, a town in the Palatinate, or Rhenish Prussia, on the border, has been stormed by the French.

Versailles, Aug. 3.—Several public buildings of this city have lately been given up as depositories for ammunition.

Narrow Escape of Versailles. Yesterday the city barely escaped destruction from an explosion. A fire occurred in one of these powder warehouses, which was fortunately subdued before any great amount of damage had been done.

This Morning's Quotations. LONDON, Aug. 3.—11:30 A. M.—Consols, opened at 87 1/2 for money and account. American securities steady. United States 5-20s of 1862, 3 1/2; of 1865, 100; of 1867, 104-108. 50s. Stocks steady.

FROM WASHINGTON. The Knights of Pythias. Special Despatch to The Evening Telegraph. WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 3.—The anti O. B. N.'s of Knights of Pythias have executed and received in the District of Columbia an instrument incorporating certain members as "The Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias of the District of Columbia." They claim under this instrument to be the only legal Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias in the District, and will at once charter lodges comprised of members of orders opposed to the O. B. N.

Stock Quotations by Telegraph—2 P. M.

Glendinning, Davis & Co. report through their New York House the following: N. Y. Cent. & Hud R. Pacific Mail Steam... 39 1/2

New York Stock and Money Market. New York, Aug. 3.—Stocks dull. Money 9/64 per cent. Gold, 121 1/2; 5-20s coupon, 110 1/4; do. 1864, do. 1867, do. 1865, do. 1866, new, 109 1/2; do. 1867, 109 1/2; do. 1868, 109 1/2; do. 1869, 109 1/2; do. 1870, 109 1/2.

New York Produce Market. New York, Aug. 3.—Cotton dull and weak; sales of 250 bales. Orleans, 20 1/2; Orleans, 20 1/2; Flour, sales of 8000 barrels. St. Louis, 55 1/2; Ohio at 55 1/2; Western at 55 1/2; Southern at 55 1/2; do. 1869, 55 1/2; do. 1870, 55 1/2.

New York Foreign Exchange Market. New York, Aug. 3.—Cotton dull and nominal. Flour fairly active and firm. Wheat steady; sales of prime to choice Maryland and at 70 1/2; good prime do. at 70 1/2; do. 1869, 70 1/2; do. 1870, 70 1/2.

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THE PRUSSIAN FORCE AT ARMS.

Particulars from Saarbrucken.

France and American Rebels.

Newspaper Correspondents Released.

THE LONG BRANCH GAYETIES.

Burning of a Brig.

FROM EUROPE.

Details of the Saarbrucken Affair. LONDON, Aug. 3.—Noon.—The following details of the affair at Saarbrucken, have been received here.—The fight began at 11 o'clock yesterday forenoon. The French rushed to the frontier in force, and the Prussians were driven from their strong position by the sharp artillery fire of the French. The latter remained masters of the position which they won without serious loss. The Emperor and Prince Imperial witnessed the conflict and returned to Metz to dinner.

A Proclamation by the King. BERLIN, Aug. 3.—King William, who is now at Mayence, to-day issued a proclamation to the armies of Germany, assuming the Commandership-in-Chief.

French Hesitancy. LONDON, Aug. 3.—It is generally admitted by the French that their hesitancy sacrificed their advantage. An early start might have overwhelmed Germany, but France will now be compelled to act mainly on the defensive.

Disposition and Numbers of the Prussians. LONDON, Aug. 3.—The following is given to-day as the numbers and disposition of the Prussian army.—The Duke of Mecklenburg commands 108,000 men at the mouth of the River Oder; at the mouth of the Elbe Falkenstein has 58,000 men; near Ems Herwarth von Bittenfeld commands 50,000.

The Army of the Rhine consists of the following bodies:—Eighty thousand at Cologne, under Steinmetz; one hundred and eighty thousand at the junction of the Main with the Rhine, under Prince Frederick Charles; and one hundred and sixty-six thousand along the Upper Rhine, under Prince Royal Frederick William. Chiefs of staff, Moltke, Blumenthal, Sporling, and Stehle.

Price of French Substitutes. LONDON, Aug. 3.—A despatch from Paris says three hundred pounds sterling are paid for substitutes, and they are scarce at that.

The French Do Not Want American Rebels. The Daily News of this morning says the French Government declined the services of Generals Lee and Beauregard.

Newspaper Correspondents Released. PARIS, Aug. 3.—Napoleon has ordered the release of the newspaper correspondents who were recently arrested at Metz.

Hamburg and Bremen. LONDON, Aug. 3.—It is rumored to-day that negotiations are pending to keep open the ports of Hamburg and Bremen during the war. It is said the United States, as well as England, is urging this.

A New Evolving Gun. has been tried at Valencia, and is said to be a great success. A correspondent describes it as a terribly destructive weapon at five thousand yards.

This Afternoon's Quotations. LONDON, Aug. 3.—1:30 P. M.—5-20s steady. Railways steady. Liverpool, Aug. 3.—1:30 P. M.—Cotton easier but not better. The market for raw cotton is quiet. Lard dull, Tallow, 45s. Antwerp, Aug. 3.—Petroleum opened at 41s/4d.

FROM THE WEST. St. Paul and Duluth Railroad. Special Despatch to The Evening Telegraph. THOMPSON, Minn., Aug. 3.—The last spike was driven connecting the track through from St. Paul to Duluth yesterday, and the first through train to Duluth arrived this morning.

Death of a Citizen of St. Louis. ST. LOUIS, Aug. 3.—James Harrison, of the firm of Choteau, Harrison & Valle, owners of Iron Mountain and very extensive iron mines and manufacturing, died last night.

FROM NEW ENGLAND. Unknown Brig Burned. PROVIDENCE, R. I., Aug. 3.—A Newport pilot boat yesterday boarded near Block Island a full rigged brig on fire. Her name could not be ascertained, but the pilot boat stayed by her until she had burned down to her copper. It is thought she was laden with petroleum.

Fire in Boston—Killed on the Railroad. BOSTON, Aug. 3.—Thompson's planing mills and a block of frame dwellings in Hyde Park were burned this morning. Loss, \$12,000. Bridget Casey, aged thirty years, was killed while walking on the railroad track in Bradford last evening.

FROM WASHINGTON. Official Notification of War. WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—The French Minister to-day officially informed this Government of the declaration of war by France against Prussia.

The Mammoth Race Course. LONG BRANCH, N. J., Aug. 3.—Ten thousand persons were present at the steeple chase to-day. Only three horses started, and came in in the following order:—Oysterman, Jr., twenty lengths ahead of Bohannon; Lobelia distanced. Time, 8:28.

PRESIDENT LINCOLN, AT THE OUT break of the War, by proclamation, called for forty thousand volunteers to suppress the rebellion, and the War Department promised that each soldier should be allowed to take with him a certain amount of money, to secure back pay, claims made within five years from the date of discharge, or three months' pay, if discharged or released claims promptly settled.

PRIZE MONEY AMOUNTING TO \$5,249,507 1/2 still remains unclaimed in the Treasury of the United States, arising from captures made during the late rebellion. For information and advice, given cheerfully, free of any charge, apply at once, either in person or by letter, to the General Collection Agency, ROBERT S. LEAGUE & CO., 112 N. 3d St., Philadelphia.